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H.C.R. No. 208

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21 national parks; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas  
23 hereby respectfully request the Congress of the United States to  
24 direct the National Park Service, United States Department of the

1 Interior, to acquire concurrent legislative jurisdiction for Big  
2 Bend National Park and the Rio Grande Wild and Scenic River; and, be  
3 it further

4         RESOLVED, That the Texas secretary of state forward official  
5 copies of this resolution to the president of the United States, to  
6 the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the  
7 senate of the United States Congress, and to all the members of the  
8 Texas delegation to the congress with the request that this  
9 resolution be officially entered in the Congressional Record as a  
10 memorial to the Congress of the United States of America.

**HOUSE  
COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Printing**

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

By: Gallego

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By: Hilderbran

C.S.H.C.R. No. 208

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**The Honorable Tom Craddick**  
**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

Sir:

We, your COMMITTEE ON STATE CULTURAL AND RECREATION  
to whom was referred HCR 208 have had the same under consideration and beg to report  
back with the recommendation that it

- ☐ do pass, without amendment.  
☐ do pass, with amendment(s).  
☒ do pass and be not printed; a Complete Committee Substitute is recommended in lieu of the original measure.  
☐ yes ☒ no A fiscal note was requested.  
☐ yes ☒ no A criminal justice policy impact statement was requested.  
☐ yes ☒ no An equalized educational funding impact statement was requested.  
☐ yes ☒ no An actuarial analysis was requested.  
☐ yes ☒ no A water development policy impact statement was requested.  
☐ yes ☒ no A tax equity note was requested.  
☒ The Committee recommends that this measure be sent to the Committee on Local and Consent Calendars.

Joint Sponsors: \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Sponsors: \_\_\_\_\_

[illegible]

Total

4      aye  
 Ø      nay  
 Ø      present, not voting  
 3      absent

CHAIR

ADOPTED

MAY 28 2003

*Robert Hanes*  
Chief Clerk  
House of Representatives

By: ~~*[Signature]*~~

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# HOUSE ENGROSSMENT

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H.C.R. No. 208

By Pat Hall

Requesting congress to direct the National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior, to acquire concurrent legislative jurisdiction for Big Bend National Park and the Rio Grande Wild and Scenic River.

APR 23 2003 Filed with the Chief Clerk  
State Cultural and Recreational Resources  
APR 25 2003 Read first time and referred to Committee on \_\_\_\_\_  
MAY 21 2003 Reported \_\_\_\_\_ favorably (~~as amended~~)  
(as substituted)  
MAY 22 2003 Sent to Committee on (~~Calendars~~)  
(Local & Consent Calendars)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Rules suspended to permit consideration  
MAY 28 2003 Read (comm. subst.), (~~amended~~) and adopted (~~failed~~) by a (~~rising vote~~)  
(~~record vote of~~ \_\_\_\_\_ ~~yeas~~ \_\_\_\_\_ ~~nays~~ \_\_\_\_\_ ~~present, not voting~~)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Motion made to add all members names  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Engrossed  
MAY 28 2003 Sent to Senate

\_\_\_\_\_  
CHIEF CLERK OF THE HOUSE

OTHER HOUSE ACTION:

MAY 28 2003 Received from the House  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Read first time and referred to Committee on \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Reported favorably \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute; Committee Substitute read first time  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Laid before the Senate  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Consideration ordered by (unanimous consent)  
(\_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Read, \_\_\_\_\_, and adopted by (a viva voce vote)  
(\_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Returned to the House

\_\_\_\_\_  
SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

OTHER SENATE ACTION:

\_\_\_\_\_ Returned from the Senate (as substituted)  
(with amendments)

\_\_\_\_\_ House concurred in Senate amendments by a (non-record vote)  
(record vote of \_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays, \_\_\_\_\_ present, not voting)

\_\_\_\_\_ House refused to concur in Senate amendments and requested the appointment of a conference committee  
by a (non-record vote) (record vote of \_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays, \_\_\_\_\_ present, not voting)

\_\_\_\_\_ House conferees appointed: \_\_\_\_\_, Chair; \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Senate granted House request. Senate conferees appointed: \_\_\_\_\_, Chair;  
\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Conference committee report adopted (rejected) by the House by a (non-record vote)  
(record vote of \_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays, \_\_\_\_\_ present, not voting)

\_\_\_\_\_ Conference committee report adopted (rejected) by the Senate by a (viva voce vote)  
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